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Martin C. Ashman
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1931
Education: DePaul 1953 JD
Began Service: 1995
Term Expires: 2011

Government: Corporation Counsel, Village of Morton Grove, Illinois (1977-1987)

Judicial: Commissioner, Illinois Court of Claims (1974-1987); Judge, Circuit Court of Illinois (1987-1995)

Legal Practice: Martin C. Ashman, Ltd. and Ashman & Jaffe (1954-1987)

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The Chicago Bar Association; The Decalogue Society of Lawyers; Federal Bar Association; Illinois State Bar Association

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Nan R. Nolan
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1943
Education: DePaul 1975 JD
Began Service: July 6, 1998
Term Expires: July 5, 2014

Legal Practice: Federal Defender Program; Law Offices of Nan R. Nolan; Law Offices of Patrick A. Tuite

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Geraldine Soat Brown
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Dayton BA; Chicago 1975 JD
Began Service: June 19, 2000
Term Expires: June 18, 2016

Academic: Adjunct Professor, Chicago-Kent College of Law, Illinois Institute of Technology (1993-1995)

Legal Practice: Associate, Miller Shakman & Hamilton

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Michael T. Mason
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: September 29, 2001

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Jeffrey Cole
Magistrate Judge

Date of Birth: September 1942
Began Service: May 6, 2005
Term Expires: May 2013

Current Memberships: American Bar Association; The Seventh Circuit Bar Association, Federal Bar Association

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Maria G. Valdez
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: 2005

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Susan E. Cox
Magistrate Judge

Began Service: August 27, 2007
Term Expires: August 27, 2015

Staff
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Carol A. Doyle
Chief Bankruptcy Judge

Education: Iowa 1978 BBA; Loyola (Chicago) 1982 JD
Began Service: July 26, 1999
Term Expires: 2013

Clerkships: Law Clerk The Honorable John A. Nordberg, United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois (1982-1985)

Legal Practice: Sidley & Austin (1985-1999)

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Eugene R. Wedoff
Bankruptcy Judge

Date of Birth: 1950
Education: Chicago 1972 BA, 1975 JD
Began Service: September 16, 1987
Term Expires: 2015

Judicial: Chief Bankruptcy Judge, United States Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois (2002-2007)

Legal Practice: Jenner & Block (1975-1987)

Nonprofit: Executive Committee Member-at-Large, Board of Directors, American Bankruptcy Institute

Current Memberships: American Bankruptcy Institute; National Bankruptcy Conference; National Conference of Bankruptcy Judges

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